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Dear Dale:

Enclosed are three copies of the final report on "OJ". We intended to write it up before Christmas, but the season's rush finally prevented getting it done.

Today I chatted with Dr. G. E. Oliver, who arrived here yesterday. Since he shows great interest in artificial feeding techniques of ticks, I suggested a practice session in glass capillary feeding and injecting techniques tomorrow morning.

Although we are still very busy with setting up the necessary equipment for fluorescent microscopy, we already are outlining our field studies on Colorado tick fever for the coming tick season. In addition we are running various experiments on simultaneous infection of Dermacentor andersoni with Colorado tick fever and Rickettsia rickettsii organisms. It will be of interest to see whether there actually exists an interference between these two agents.

With best regards to you and Grover,

Sincerely yours,

Willy Burgdorfer

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